

Toronto Grain and Produce Market.

Wheat.—Cars of red are quoted at 66c to 67c on the Northern, and white at 68c. Manitoba cars of No. 1 hard sold to-day at 65c on track Midland elevator, and No. 1 northern was quoted there at 68c. No. 1 hard is nominal at 72c grinding in transit Sarnia and 78c North Bay. No. 1 northern North Bay is quoted at 72c.

Flour.—Cars of straight roller, Toronto freights are quoted at \$3.10. Manitoba flour is in fair demand but there is some difference of opinion as to the prices it is bringing. It is claimed that old wheat flour is selling at a premium of 35c over new, and millers say they are getting \$1.15 for old, bags included, and that anything that so is under that price is new wheat flour and worth less money. On the other hand, it is contended that the quality of the old and new wheat flour does not warrant any such difference in price, and that sales of old are rarely being made under \$1 here and in Montreal.

Millfeed.—Cars of shorts west are quoted at \$13 and bran at \$11.

Barley.—Is a little firmer, but not quotable higher. A 5,000 bushel lot of No. 2 sold to-day at 41c east. No. 1 is quoted east at 45c and extra No. 1 at 46c east.

Oats.—Are dull and rather easier. Cars of white sold to-day at 24c middle freights east. Mixed are quoted at 23c west.

Butter.—Creamery butter of good quality is not coming in in great quantities. Much of the dairy butter now on the market is from turnip feeding. Medium and lower grade dairy tubs are quoted at 8c to 10c, choice tubs at 15c to 16c, choice large rolls at 15c and medium at 14c. Fresh creamery tubs sell at 20c, and good creamery rolls are steady at 20c to 22c.

Poultry.—The market is overstocked and lower prices are expected. Turkeys sell at 50 to 6c, ducks 40c to 50c, geese 4c to 4½c and chickens 20c to 30c.

Baled Hay.—Car lots on the track here sell at \$14.50 for No. 1 and \$13.25 to \$13.75 for No. 2.

Dressed Hogs.—Hogs are being offered in larger quantities and the opinion among local dealers is that lower prices will prevail in a short time. Car lots delivered here are selling at \$1.60 to \$1.65.

Hides.—There was another drop of ¼c in the price of green hides yesterday, and they are now quoted at 5c. Cured hides are quoted at 6 to 6½c.—Globe, Nov. 30.

Crops in Russia.

The Liverpool Corn Trade News of Nov. 11 publishes the following statement of official estimates of the Department of Rural Industry and Statistics, as furnished by the Minister of Agriculture of Russia.—The figures relate to 1893 production:

	Total Qrs. 8 bushels.
Wheat	88,992,000
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Oats	78,512,000
Barley	23,400,000
Millet	5,256,000
Maize	3,024,000
Black wheat	5,205,000
Peas	2,246,000
Total	240,081,000

Broomhall says: "It may be recollected that last autumn we elicited the important fact from the authorities in St. Petersburg that the Ministry of Agriculture based its returns on the area census of 1889, and that the Imperial Central Statistics Committee largely based its returns upon the area census of 1892-93." The comparison of one return with another is, therefore, certain to give a

wrong impression unless due allowance is made for this fact. The present report of the Ministry of Agriculture while not positively showing the actual crop may yet be considered as indicating closely the difference between this season's and last season's yields. If the same ratio between this season's and last season's yields holds good on the areas unenumerated we should look for the final report of the Central statistical Committee next February giving the total wheat crop of Russia, including Poland and Caucasia (but exclusive of Siberia) at 47,000,000 quarters, compared with 52,000,000 quarters in 1891, and 51,000,000 quarters in 1893. The total rye crop of the same area should be about 91,000,000 quarters, compared with 112,000,000 quarters in 1891 and 95,000,000 quarters in 1893."

Printed Cotton Fabrics.

The season's canvass for print business for the spring of 1896 has given good results. The makers of Magog prints report that up to the 20th of the month they were 43,000 pieces ahead of orders to a similar date last year. The increased business has come largely from eastern Canada. The disaffection of three large Toronto houses has naturally handicapped the trade in domestic goods in Ontario and the West. The designs of the new goods are tasteful and bright. Floral effects are prominent, stripes have had an immense run, while for blouse materials regatta stripes will, from appearances, hold almost dominant sway. Small and medium-sized spots are in good taste, but the large spot is scarcely asked for at all. It was thought early in the year that printed ducks had seen their best days, and yet the orders given thus far in the season have been quite up to last year's record. Indigo ducks are in best favor. Printed moleskins, only a year old with the Canadian manufacturer, have a napped back, with printed surface and patterns very similar to cottonades. They can be retailed at from 12½ to 16 cents a yard. Several ready-made clothing houses are using this material for boys' suitings and smocks. Printed Salisburys, a flannellette printed especially in block stripes and checks on red grounds, have been bought very freely during the season by the trade.—Monetary Times.

Brass and Copper Wire.

The eastern wire manufacturers, at a recent meeting, decided upon a change, both in the trade discount and list prices, on brass and copper wire. With the exception of one or two of the lower gauges, the general tendency of the alterations are to higher prices, the advance ranging all the way from 30c per 100 pounds, to over \$5 on some of the higher grades. The old discount was 15 per cent. off. This has been replaced by a discount of 12½ per cent. Prices are all f. o. b. on cars at Montreal. The changes in the list, in details, are:—

	Brass Wire.		Copper Wire.	
	Now List.	Old List.	Now List.	Old List.
0 to 10	17½	19	22	23½
11 to 16	18	19	23	23½
17 to 18	18½	19	25½	23½
19 to 20	19	19	2½	23½
21	20	20½	27½	25
22	20½	21	28	25
23	22	22½	29	26½
24	24	22½	30	26½
25	25	23½	32	29½

A recent customs decision fixes the value for duty on lead covering or packages containing tea at the following rate: 2 cents each for pound packages, 1½ cents each for half-pound packages; the packages themselves to be rated for duty at 30 per cent.

Samuel Davis, Sr., of Davis & Sons, Montreal, is dead.

The Canadian Pacific telegraph department have just issued a circular announcing the opening of a new and direct connection south from Winnipeg to Minneapolis, St. Paul, Duluth, West Superior and all points south. This is an important announcement and is about the last link completing a comprehensive system of direct telegraphic communication from central and western Canada to all parts of the world.

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